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MIOSHA GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARD PART 74 FIRE FIGHTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 11, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. Virtual – Teams Meeting

MEETING MINUTES

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Kenneth Barnes.....Delta Twp. Fire Dept.

Mark Cleveland.....Egelston Twp.

Steven Heim....Lincoln Park Fire Dept.

Jeffery KnowlesCascade Twp.

David GlotzbachMuskegon Charter Twp. Fire Dept.

Michael McLeieer......Michigan State Firemen's Association/E.S.C.A.P.E.

Eva HattRetired

Jeramie MorrisDow/Process Safety Expertise Center

Kevin Sehlmeyer.....LARA – Bureau of Fire Services

MIOSHA STAFF PRESENT:

Bart PickelmanMIOSHA Director

Augustine Syrovy......MIOSHA CET Occupational Safety Consultant

Richard Pfander Jr......MIOSHA GISHD Safety & Health Manager

GUEST

John Dulmes......Michigan Chemistry Council
Jeff Yaroch.....State Representative

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:

Lee Finlayson.....Retired

Brian Hunter......Marathon Petroleum Company

Call to Order

The January 11, 2021, General Industry Safety and Health Standard Part 74 Fire Fighting, (GI Part 74), advisory committee meeting was called to order by Mr. Barnes at 9:01 a.m. A quorum of advisory committee members was present.

Roll call was taken.

Approval of December 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes

Motion by Mr. Heim to accept the minutes from the December 14, 2020 meeting. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Motion by Mr. Glotzbach to approve todays agenda. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Definition and use of the term "PFAS containing foam"

Discussion held on whether to modify the definition based on Mr. Dulmes recommendation to be more in line with the Legislative language.

Motion made by Mr. Heim to add the definition of PFAS. Mr. Glotzbach seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Modified the definition of "PFAS containing foam" to "Foam containing PFAS" Moved the definition to the correct location of the document.

R 408.17430 (2) – Modify the language to "Containment and handling of materials contaminated by foam containing PFAS"

R 408.17430(2)(b) to "Disposal of materials contaminated by foam containing PFAS will be pursuant to the natural resources and environmental protection act, 1994 PA 451, MCL 324.101 to 324.90106.".

R 408.17430(3)(b) - Modify the language to "A firefighter's exposed skin (neck, face, hands) shall be decontaminated, post fire response and whenever exposed to firefighting foam."

Motion made by Mr. Heim to accept the amendments made to the language of rule R 408.7430. Mr. McLeieer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Committee member discussion

R 408.17436 – Reviewed the changes that were made at the prior meeting. Discussion held on the date proposed of January 1, 2023. Would this allow enough time for budgets to be passed and be put into effect by departments. Mr. Heim made a motion to change from 2023 to 2025. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Mr. Glotzbach and McLeieer oppose with concerns. Motion passed.

R 408.17440 – Mr. Heim made a motion to change 2023 to 2025. Mr. Knowles seconded the motion. Mr. Glotzbach and McLeieer oppose. Motion passed.

R 408.17463 – Reviewed the changes that were made at the prior meeting, but not voted on. Mr. Heim stated he approved, and he needed to leave the meeting for a run. Mr. Knowles made a motion to approve the modified changes. Mr. Glotzbach seconded the motion. Motion passed.

R 408.17424 (2)—Decision to change the 1995 edition to 2001. Motion made by Glotzbach to accept the change to 2001. Seconded by Knowles. Motion passed.

Appendix A – Discussion held on why the Appendix is non-mandatory and why does MIOSHA believe it should be removed. Mr. Pickelman explained this was drafted by previous committees and has caused a lot of confusion in the field on if it is mandatory or not. Mr. Glotzbach questioned what does MIOSHA look at regarding training. Mr. Pfander explained that we would look at the duties assigned and that training commensurate with those duties. We enforce Firefighter 1 and 2.

Mr. Pfander will have the section analyst do a report on how often training was cited and is looking into a specific department that was cited.

Mr. Barnes shared a document he received from Mr. Heim for the group to review from Wisconsin regarding possible training requirements for MIOSHA to use. Mr. Heim would like the committee to review this standard, specifically the Training and Education portion and determine what could be utilized in Michigan. To eliminate concern that Appendix A would be completely gone, Mr. Pickelman pointed out that Appendix A would be moved to a "guidance" document, and not completely lost. He also reminded that it is just guidance and is not enforceable by MIOSHA. Mr. Heim will get a draft ready in regard to training to send to the committee to review before our next meeting.

R 408.17426 – Decision to revisit this rule.

R 408.17426 (1) Discussion held on the need to add ladders used for emergency use. Modified to state "Effective January 1, 2025, portable ground ladders used in structural firefighting or training for these operations shall meet: (a) NFPA 1931, Standard for Manufacturers Design off Fire Department Ground Ladders, XX edition, as adopted in R 408.17405. (b) the NFPA 1932, Standard on Use, Maintenance, and Service Testing of In-Service Fire Department Ground Ladders, XX edition, as adopted in R 408.17405. Decision to research and discuss which editions to use, if used at all, and revisit at our next meeting.

R 408.17426 (2), (3), (4) and (5) – Strike language.

As requested, the proposed NFPA rules to add based on today's meeting are as followed: NFPA 1931 – edition to be researched and decided at future meeting, if used NFPA 1932 – edition to be researched and decided at future meeting, if used

Next Meeting

Monday, January 25, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:51 p.m.